





NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The Office of Emergency Management in Stokes County has made a request through Guilford County Emergency Management for assistance with the ongoing search for two children in the Danbury Community. This request is being made through the Statewide Mutual Aid agreement and is not a deployment of our USAR (Urban Search and Rescue) team. Approval for deployment of personnel and resources was made by City Manager Mitchell Johnson this morning.

The Greensboro Fire Department will deploy eight personnel along with resources from Station 5 to support both land and water searches. The personnel being deployed are members of the USAR team and are trained in various search and rescue techniques and practices including swift water and land navigation. It is expected that these personnel will arrive in Danbury after lunch today. Their length of deployment has not been determined at this time.

Our contact in Danbury, NC will be Assistant Chief Warren Ritter (mobile 430-6008).

The deployment of these resources will not impair the Fire Department's ability to respond to and mediate emergencies within the City.